

15,000 MEN KILLED IN THE FRENCH SIEGE OF NEUVE CHAPPELLE

THE WEATHER REPORT:

TULSA, April 14.—The temperature today is 79, minimum 52; east winds and clear.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Forecast: Oklahoma, fair in east, west unsettled Thursday; showers Friday.

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15,000 KILLED IN THREE DAYS CHAPPELLE FIGHT

British Lost 2,500 Men and 190 Officers Killed in Fierce Battle.

GERMANS LEFT FIELD COVERED WITH DEAD

French's Official Statement Relates the Daring Dash of His Troops.

LONDON, April 14.—(12:30 p. m.) Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British expeditionary forces on the continent, reports the British losses in the three days' fighting at Neuve Chapelle as follows: Killed, 120 officers, 2,337 men.

Wounded, 559 officers, 8,174 other ranks.

Missing, 23 officers, 1,728 men.

Field Marshal French's report continues:

"The enemy left several thousand dead on the field and we have positive information that upwards of twelve thousand wounded were removed by train. Thirty officers and 1,657 of other ranks were captured. The British commander's dispatch concerning the battle of Neuve Chapelle, which began early in March, is lengthy, and says among other things: 'Considerable delays occurred after the capture of Neuve Chapelle and the infantry was greatly disorganized. I am of the opinion that this delay would not have occurred had the clearly-expressed order of the general office commanding the first army been more carefully observed.'

The dispatch describes the operations leading up to the attack on the town, saying:

Heavy Bombardment.
"On February 6 a brilliant action by the troops of the first corps materially improved our position in the area south of La Bassée canal. During the previous night parties of the Irish guards and the third battalion

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Never Will Intern, Says This Captain Of German Steamer

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 14.—"I will never intern," said today this was the emphatic declaration of Lieutenant Captain Thierfelder, commander of German converted cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm, when informed by newspapermen today that it generally was reported the Wilhelm ultimately would intern at this port.

It was rumored that Commander Thierfelder of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich had taken a similar stand, but his government had ordered the internment. Commander Thierfelder made no reference to the probable action of the German government with regard to the disposition to be made of the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

Authorization to take the cruiser into drydock was given today by Collector of Customs Hamilton. The commerce destroyer will be removed from her anchorage into drydock Friday. The condition of the cruiser and her boilers is such that it will require two weeks to complete the repairs for which her commander has asked. Any knowledge of the whereabouts or operations of the German cruiser Karlsruhe, which raided commerce in the Atlantic ocean, was disclaimed by Captain Thierfelder.

JAPS AND CHINKS TALK WITH BRYAN

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Secretary Bryan held separate conferences today with Viscount Gresh, the Japanese ambassador, and Kai Fu Shih, the Chinese minister, in which it is believed the pending Japanese-Chinese negotiations were discussed. No announcement was made by the state department of the results of the conferences, but the subjects under discussion.

The Japanese ambassador was with Mr. Bryan for nearly a half hour, and was followed by the Chinese minister, who talked with the secretary even more at length.

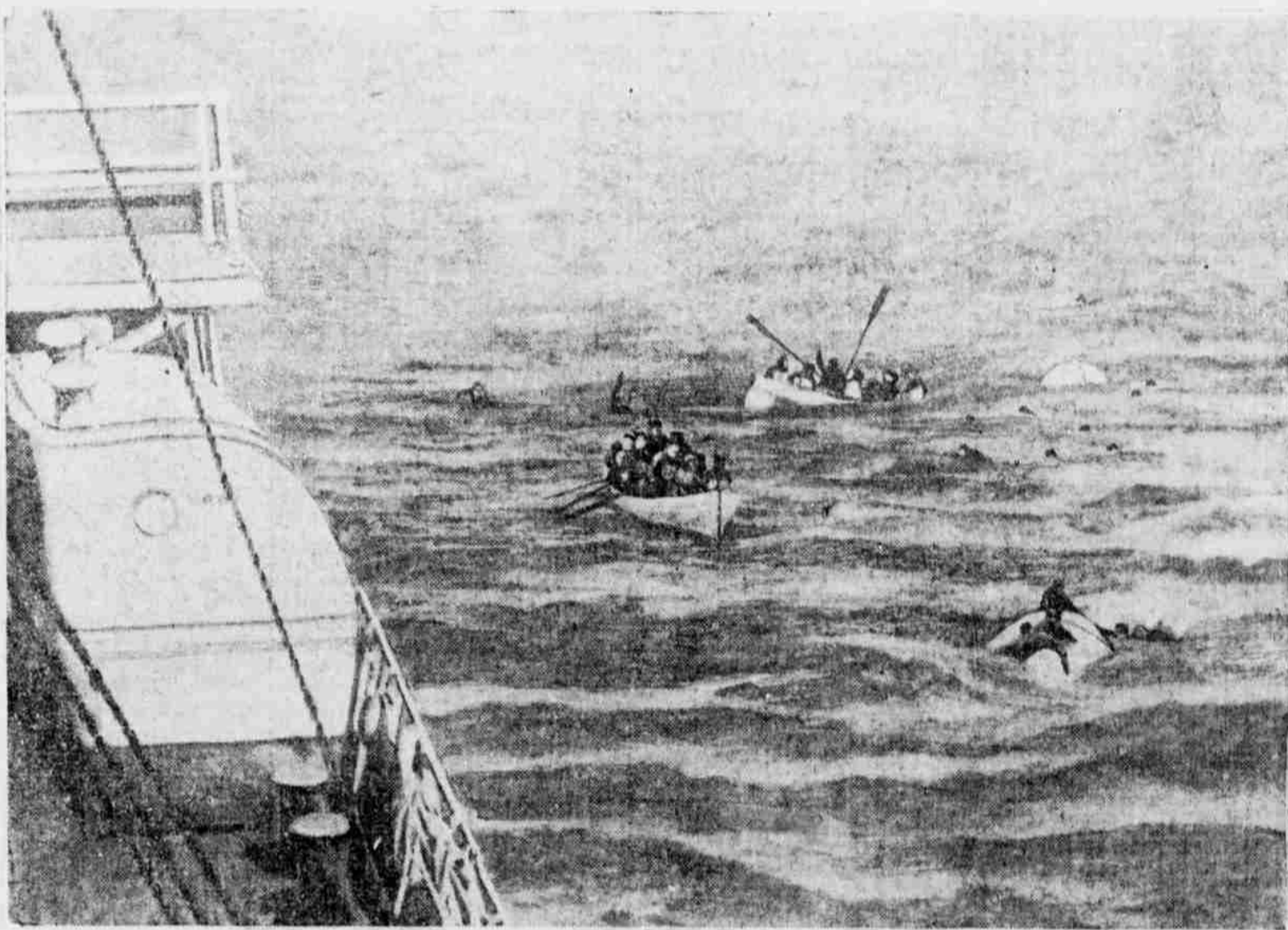
Press reports have indicated that a deadlock had been reached in the negotiations at Peking, but officials here declined to reveal the nature of official advice from the Chinese capital.

DEPOSITS AND LOANS INCREASE

National Banks in Central Reserve Cities Have Better Business.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Loans and discounts in national banks in central reserve cities increased \$147,626,147 in the period between December 31 and March 31, according to an announcement today by the controller of the currency. In other reserve cities they increased \$18,555,144. Total deposits in banks in central reserve cities increased \$195,196,016 and in other reserve cities \$89,484,976.

Sinking of the Falaba With 112 Men and Women On Board



The photograph shows more vividly than any cabled description the fearful scenes that attended the torpedoing of the British merchantman Falaba in ten minutes. The photograph shows two overturned lifeboats at a range of 100 yards before the ship's company could comply with order to leave the vessel. As a consequence all but three of the lifeboats foundered. The Falaba sank in ten minutes. The photograph shows two overturned lifeboats and the drowning struggles of the passengers. One lifeboat, right side up, is shown in the picture.

VILLA WINS OVER OBREGON TROOPERS

Northern Leader Gains Upper Hand in Fierce Battle Near Celaya.

ENEMY IS HEMMED IN

If Villistas Are Victorious Communications Will Be Restored.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—General Villa appears to have gained the upper hand in the first day of the battle with the forces of General Obregon near Celaya, according to consular advice to the state department today from San Luis Potosi. From other points as well it was reported that in the struggle in which officials estimated 45,000 men are engaged, the first fruits of victory are with the army of General Villa.

General Obregon is declared to have been surrounded and his retreat cut off from all directions according to one report. As the firing line is extensive, detailed advice have not reached here from General Villa's headquarters and the final outcome of the fighting is still doubtful. Victory for Villa would mean the resumption of communication by rail and wire between Mexico City and the

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MOST OF MONEY IS RAISED FOR CENSUS

Eight Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars Obtained by Committee Yesterday.

TO CONTINUE TODAY

Thousand Dollar Mark Will Be Easily Reached Before Noon Today.

WITH \$825 deposited in the bank, Tulsa is now practically assured of the special census as authorized by President Woodrow Wilson. This much was raised by the committee from the Commercial club, composed of O. H. Leonard, G. R. McCullough, E. T. Tucker (serving in place of G. C. Stebbins), Eugene Lorton and William Stryker.

This same committee will resume their work this morning and expect to be able to put the amount up to the desired one thousand mark in a short time. If the entire amount is completed this morning, the contract with the government through Special Census Supervisor Eugene Hartly will be signed at once and the work started. Mr. Hartly is on the ground prepared to start work at once, whenever the \$1,000 is deposited for expenses and the contract is signed.

The committee started out yesterday.

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POSTAL OPERATORS AREN'T SATISFIED

Telegraphers Who Testify at Hearing Say They Will Be Fired Today.

"WORKED TO DEATH"

Spy System Employed by Company Blacklists All Members of Unions.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Five Postal Telegraph company telegraphers, suddenly subpoenaed to appear before the United States commission on industrial relations today, unanimously contradicted yesterday's testimony of Edward C. Reynolds, general manager of the company, who said that conditions of employment were 100 per cent satisfactory. Mr. Reynolds remarked that the commission could confirm his statement by asking the men.

The five witnesses said that none of the operators were satisfied, in the main because they all thought they did too much work for too little money; they knew of no way to obtain redress of grievances, and there were minor troubles.

B. F. Rogers, working a "regular extra split trick" for the Postal company, was the last witness. As he was being excused he was asked by Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the commission, if he had any further complaint to make.

Will Be Fired.

"Only that I won't have a job tomorrow," he said, Mr. Walsh replied: "If you or any other of the young

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ACHIEVEMENTS OF TULSA.

"Oil isn't everything in Tulsa," is the title of one full-page story with illustrations that will appear in "Achievements of Tulsa," the genuine booster edition to be issued shortly by The World. In this story is presented concrete facts concerning agricultural possibilities in and around Tulsa. Each page deals with a different subject. There is even a page about "better babies" such as Tulsa people raise, and the women's clubs, and the big Tulsa county coal mines, and so on down the line. It will be chock full of facts, written in an interesting manner, and dealing with subjects many Tulsans themselves are not familiar with.

It's going to be the most effective town-building propaganda ever issued and in style and appearance will be equal to a magazine, with the advertisements left out.

Two hundred portraits of prominent men of Tulsa, taken by Ferdinand De Seldre, will be one feature of the edition. Have you sent in your order for copies yet?

FIFTEEN KILLED IN STREET CAR CRASH

Car Loaded With Home-bound Laborers Crushed in Wreck.

TWENTY ARE INJURED

New Motorman Misunderstood Signals; Many Are in Hospitals.

DETROIT, April 14.—Fifteen persons were killed and about 29 injured today in a collision between a Detroit city street car and a switch engine on the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton railway. Most of the dead are foreigners whose homes were beyond the western limits of the city. Four of them are women.

The street car, one of the largest in the service, was heavily loaded with passengers, homeward bound from their day's work.

As the car approached the railroad crossing it stopped and the conductor ran ahead to see if the track was clear. He signalled the motorman to wait but apparently the latter, who is said to have been inexperienced, misunderstood his meaning. He applied the power and the car ran rapidly down an incline and onto the railroad tracks.

A string of freight cars being pushed by a switch engine struck the street car fairly in the middle, smashing it almost to bits.

The wreckage was pushed along a hundred feet, several of the dead and injured dropping along the street before the train was brought to a standstill.

Buried in Debris.

Others were crushed in the splintered mass of steel and wood and it was several hours before they could be extricated and their exact number known. As the dead were taken from the debris they were laid in a row along the street and covered with canvas, pending the arrival of the coroner. Later they were removed to undertaking establishments. Many private automobiles rushed to the scene of the accident and there, together with the ambulances which responded to the call for help, carried the injured to the hospitals. Several of those removed were so badly hurt, it is said, they may die.

At this place where the accident occurred the railroad tracks occupy a narrow street and covered with buildings soon to be reconstructed. The \$30,000 bond issue voted almost unanimously was sold Monday night and the proceeds will be used to build and equip the new street car line. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest and sold at a small fraction below their face value.

State Charters.

Special to The World.

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 14.—Secretary of State J. L. Lyon today issued a state charter to the Majestic Amusement company of Tulsa; capital, \$10,000. The incorporators are C. W. McCray, E. R. Perry and R. R. Poe of Tulsa.

MRS. POWELL NOT CALLED TO STAND

Plea of Unwritten Law Based in Theory of Emotional Insanity by the Attorney for Defense.

Special to The World.

MALESTER, April 14.—Mrs. Lillian Powell, the woman who is alleged to have been the indirect cause of the killing of Jefferson Jordan, painter, last June, refused to follow the example of Evelyn Nesbit Shaw to save her husband, William Powell, from conviction for murder today, and, although summoned as a witness for the defense, Mrs. Powell was not called to the stand.

She wasn't called by the state, because, although divorce proceedings are pending, she is still the wife of the defendant. Mrs. Powell filed suit for divorce three days before Jordan was killed. Testimony was concluded late this evening and, in a night session, half the arguments were presented. Counsel for Powell based a plea of unwritten law upon the theory of emotional insanity.

GERMAN DYES MAY BE OBTAINED SOON

State Department Arranges With Germany to Supply American Textile Mills With Chemicals.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Officials of the state department were prepared tonight to take up with the German government the last step necessary to supply American textile mills with two cargoes of German dyes which had been bought by the American cotton before March 1.

The way was cleared today by the announcement that the British government had agreed to permit these cargoes to come through from Rotterdam under certain conditions. The recent order in council aimed at all commerce to or from Germany being set aside to that extent.

A statement of the commerce department, which will appear in the Daily Commerce reports tomorrow, shows, however, that a final negotiation is necessary. In a cablegram dated April 13 the American ambassador at London states that a representative of the Textile Alliance, Mr. C. H. Barr, has received permission from the British authorities to make arrangements for moving two shiploads of dyes from Germany to the United States via Rotterdam. The British government will allow the vessels to pass without interference provided (1) that the vessels sail under neutral flags; (2) that shipments are made from Rotterdam; (3) that the dyes are consigned to the Textile Alliance.

The Textile Alliance is an organization composed of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers; the American Cotton Manufacturers' association; the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers; the American Silk Association, and the National Association of Woolen Manufacturers.

"The two cargoes referred to by the ambassador were paid for by the delivery of cotton cargoes shipped before March 1."

INFORMATION BUREAU AT DRUMRIGHT BUSY

Special to The World.

DRUMRIGHT, April 14.—The information bureau established by the Drumright Commercial club is already swamped with requests for the finding of men and women in the Drumright-Cushing oil field. The publicity given the establishment of the bureau has brought in a steady stream of letters. Many of the letters are pleas for the return of the missing ones that their relatives and family support be found and restored to them. Several of the other letters indicate good fortune is awaiting the missing ones if they can be found.

DRUMRIGHT GETS AN ICE PLANT

Special to The World.

DRUMRIGHT, Okla., April 14.—A 25,000-ton ice plant and a lamp chimney factory were two big projects of the Drumright industrial field this week. The ice factory has begun work on its plant, which will be in operation by June 1. The lamp chimney factory has about completed negotiations to locate here as soon as the proper railroad facilities are at hand.

Storms Damage Derricks.

Special to The World.

DRUMRIGHT, Okla., April 14.—Four oil derricks were either toppled over or made to resemble the leaning tower of Pisa by last week's heavy rains. All these derricks are in the Mid-River oil company. The only one recently been put up, but the other two had finished drilling. The high water also washed away the old McMan ferry across the river and caused some damage to a number of oil houses.

To Bid on Schools.

CUSHING, Okla., April 14.—Architects and builders from all sections of the country will meet in Cushing next Friday to bid on two large school buildings soon to be constructed. The \$30,000 bond issue voted almost unanimously was sold Monday night and the proceeds will be used to build and equip the new ward schools. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest and sold at a small fraction below their face value.

Wins Swimming Contest.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Perry McGilivray of the Illinois Athletic club tonight won the fifty-yard swim in the National Amateur Athletic union's championship meet at the Chicago Athletic association. His time was 14.4.

PARLIAMENT IN SHORT SESSION DOES NOTHING

Brief Meeting Disappoints Public As They Expected Prohibition.

ENGLAND'S ARMY IS NOT DRY YET

None of the Big Questions of Concern to Britishers Were Acted Upon.

GERMANY has come strongly to the aid of Austria in the Carpathian mountains, particularly in the region of the Uzsok pass, the key to Hungary, by means of which the Russians hoped to open the door to the vast territory lying to the south and, as a consequence, the Russian advance, which a few days ago seemed to be making marked progress, has been checked.

To the northwest of Uzsok, according to the Austrian war office, the entire position occupied by the Russians has been captured. The Russian war office, however, still lays claim to continue the attack. The British government declares that all counter-attacks have been repulsed and that a thousand new prisoners have been added to those already taken.

Air Raid Fright.
In the western war zone, while there is little of interest in the land campaign, the tension among the British people has been maintained by the visit of a German Zeppelin airship, which has raided the Tyne district of Northumberland. The Zeppelin crossed the North sea and dropped bombs on a number of small towns and villages, but no reports have been received as to the extent of the damage done, if any.

An official report from Field Marshal Sir John French, in command of the British forces on the continent, places the British losses in the fighting at Neuve Chapelle, at 12,811, of whom 2,337 officers and men were killed and 8,533 officers and men were wounded. The German losses were originally estimated at about 15,000, and the British commander's figures approximate these.

LONDON, April 14.—The British parliament reassembled today, simultaneously, Field Marshal Sir John French's report on the British victory at Neuve Chapelle, about which there have been many rumors, was published.

Nelson Funeral OPEN TO PUBLIC

All Pallbearers Will Be Employees of the Kansas City Star; Private Services at the Cemetery.

KANSAS CITY, April 14.—Funeral services for William R. Nelson, editor and owner of the Kansas City Star, who died here early yesterday, will be open to the public at his home Friday afternoon. It was announced today. Private services will be held at the cemetery. It was announced that the active pallbearers will be all employees of the Kansas City Star and that there will be no honorary pallbearers.

DEFEAT "STATE WIDE"

Proposal to Submit to Vote of People Lost; 19 For, 12 Against.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 14.—A resolution contemplating the submission to the people of an amendment providing for state-wide prohibition was defeated in the Florida senate late today by one vote. The vote stood 19 for submission, 12 against a two-thirds being required. The house yesterday passed a similar resolution.

To Put in 150-Foot Steel Span.

GILTON, Okla., April 14.—The Oil Belt Terminal oil company will start work at once on a 150-foot steel span bridge across Lagoon creek, four miles north of Gilton, where the high waters washed away a wooden bridge last Thursday morning, delaying traffic for four days. The wooden bridge was required, but will be replaced with the steel span. The drift against the wooden bridge was unusually heavy, including one tree that was five feet in diameter. It is believed that no wooden bridge will withstand the high-water pressure.

Are Facing Cushing Streets.

CUSHING, Okla., April 14.—Elliot & Vance of Parsons, Kan., successful bidders on 29 blocks of street paving in the business district of Cushing, commenced work today with a large force of men. It is their intention to complete the entire paving within 120 days, and by that time additional property owners expect to petition the city authorities to order 15 more blocks of paving.